GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2030
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FOODGRAIN FOR RELIEF MEASURES
Siddeswara Shri Gowdar Mallikarjunappa

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government provided foodgrains to foreign countries as humanitarian aid during the last three years; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (DR. AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. Humanitarian Aid in the form of foodgrain (wheat & rice) has been provided from Central Pool to 11 countries, on the sponsorship of Ministry of External Affairs (MEA).

Since January, 2002, a quantity of 3,14,595.3 MTs (wheat 2,66,147.3 MTs and rice 48,448 MTs) of humanitarian food aid was allocated, as per details given below:-

(figures in MT)

Year	wheat	rice	Total
2002	43,390.5	29,898	73,288.5
2003	71,108.8	2250	73,358.8
2004	1,51,648	16,300	1,67,948
Total	2,66,147.3	48,448	3,14,595.3